

**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH TIME EXTENSION**

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions that the period for responding to the Office Action mailed on June 23, 2003 be extended for three months, up to and including December 23, 2003. Enclosed is a check to cover the appropriate fee for this extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The undersigned attorney believes no further fees are due; however, the Commissioner is authorized to debit deposit account no. 11-0855 to the extent necessary if fees are due.